

Remarks

No claims have been added or canceled in this Reply. Claims 1-26, 31-56 and 61-73 are pending.

35 U.S.C. § 112 2nd Paragraph Rejections

The Examiner rejected claims 1-26, 31-56 and 61-73 under 35 U.S.C. 2nd paragraph because they include the phrase “in no particular order.” This phrase has been removed from claims 1, 14, 31, 44, 61 and 67 by the present amendment, thereby obviating this rejection. The Examiner will appreciate that this amendment does not imply any particular ordering of the elements of the amended claims beyond what is inherent in the relationship between the elements. As with any method claim, the elements can be performed in any order consistent with the inherent relationship between the elements. Claim 20 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns that can be addressed via telephone, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 832-446-2437.

Respectfully submitted,

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